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DSHS SEEKS PROPOSALS FOR GRANTS TO IMPROVE AGING AND CAREGIVER SERVICES

OLYMPIA – The Department of Social and Health Services (DSHS) Aging and Disability Services Administration (ADSA) is seeking proposals for one-time grants to be used to develop innovative approaches to serving older persons, adults with developmental disabilities or unpaid family caregivers.

A total of \$200,000 from the Older Americans Act is available to fund up to six projects in Washington during 2004.

Each **Request for Proposal (RFP # 0334-134)** must focus on one of six subject areas:

- Healthy aging
- Support services for depression
- Mobile geriatric dental services
- Ethnic family caregiver support
- Kinship care legal services
- Serving older caregivers of adults with developmental disabilities

Only the following types of organizations located in Washington are eligible:

- Tribe
- Government agency
- Faith-based organization
- Community-based private non-profit with 501C3 status
- University
- Health Department
- Area Agency on Aging

The RFP will be available on Nov. 10 and responses will be due on Dec. 29. The estimated period of performance for contracts that will be awarded is Jan. 31, 2004 to Jan. 31, 2005.

To receive a copy of the Request for Proposal, interested parties should submit a written request for **RFP # 0334-134** by mail or fax with their name, telephone number, fax number, mailing address and e-mail address to:

Department of Social and Health Services
Central Contract Services
PO Box 45811
Olympia WA 98504-5811
Attn: Christy Hoosier, RFP Coordinator
RE: RFP # 0334-134

Requests may be faxed to DSHS at (360) 664-6184

The RFP will also be available from two web sites:

- ADSA Web site <http://www.adsa.dshs.wa.gov/>
- DSHS Central Contracts Services Web site <http://www1.dshs.wa.gov/msa/ccs>

(Note: If you do not mail a written request for the document and rely on a Web site for the document, it will be up to you to refer back to the Web site on a periodic basis for updates and additional information regarding this RFP process.)